

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 8. This sheet, which includes Fig. 8, replaces the original sheet including Fig. 8. In Figure 8, previously omitted element "GRAIN SIZE: EQUIVALENT DIAMETER (μm)" has been added.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet
Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated January 22, 2009. Claims 1-9 remain in this application. Claim 1 is the independent Claim. Claims 1-9 have been amended. Claims 10-15, which were withdrawn due to a restriction requirement, are canceled without prejudice. It is believed that no new matter is involved in the amendments or arguments presented herein.

Reconsideration and entrance of the amendment in the application are respectfully requested.

Telephone Interview Summary

A telephone interview was conducted in this application on March 19, 2009, between the Examiner and Applicant's representative Robert Wu. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended during that interview. In the interview, agreement was reached over claim amendments sufficient to overcome the non-art based rejections.

Drawings

A replacement Drawing sheet including changes to FIG. 8 was inadvertently omitted from the Preliminary Amendment and are attached herewith.

Allowable Subject Matter

On page 4 of the Office Action, Claims 1-9 were indicated to be allowable if re-written to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

Applicant thanks the Examiner and formally recognizes the allowable subject matter of Claims 1-9.

Non-Art Based Rejections

Claims 1-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for indefiniteness. With respect to Claims 1-9, Applicant has amended those claims to address the concerns expressed in the Office Action. Support for the amendments is found, *inter alia*, in Applicant's Specification at page 11, lines 16 to page 12, line 18 and at page 25, lines 4-31. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the above § 112 rejections are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

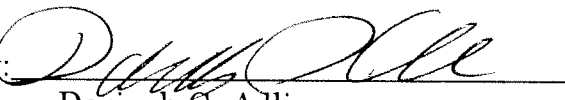
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (310) 785-4721 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,
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FIG. 8

